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Applicant : Joerg Uebelein, et al.
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Title : SWITCH TO BE MOUNTED ON A DESIGN ELEMENT IN THE
PASSENGER COMPARTMENT OF A MOTOR VEHICLE

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Commissioner:

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

After the title please add the following:

-- CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATION

This application claims priority of International application number PCT/DE00/02863, filed August 18, 2000, which in turn claims priority of German application number 199 40 172.1, filed August 24, 1999--.

IN THE CLAIMS

By this Amendment, Applicants are amending claims 3, 6-8, 10-12, and 17-26. Pending claims 1 to 26 follow.

1. Switch to be mounted on a design element in the passenger room of a motor vehicle, with a haptic element (1, 1', 1'') which has at least one mechanical operating element (11) for the switch, and